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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Corrado VEZZANI  
METHOD FOR THE CONCENTRATION OF LIQUID MIXTURES  
Our Ref: Q61145

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 08/948,157 filed October 9, 1997 of Corrado VEZZANI entitled METHOD FOR THE CONCENTRATION OF LIQUID MIXTURES.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims, 1 sheet of drawings, a copy of the Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status as filed in the prior application, and a copy of the Revocation and Appointment of Attorneys as filed in the prior application (because the parent application was filed by another firm, the undersigned does not presently have a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney originally filed in that case; a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney will be filed after it is obtained by the undersigned). Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

Applicant respectfully requests an interview with the Examiner prior to examination of this application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1764.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (**Small Entity fees apply**):

Total claims	4 - 20	=		x	\$9.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	=		x	\$40.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee							\$355.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>							<b>\$355.00</b>

A check for the statutory fee of \$355.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The

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Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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